

ARMY LOGISTICIAN

JULY-AUGUST 1984



Prolog '84



ARMY LOGISTICIAN

VOLUME 16, NUMBER 4
JULY-AUGUST 1984

THE OFFICIAL MAGAZINE OF UNITED STATES ARMY LOGISTICS

Secretary of the Army
John O. Marsh, Jr.

Acting
Assistant Secretary
of the Army
(Installations and Logistics)
Pat Hillier

Deputy Chief of Staff
for Logistics
Department of the Army
**Lieutenant General
Richard H. Thompson**

Commanding General
U.S. Army Materiel Development
and Readiness Command
General Donald R. Keith

Commandant
U.S. Army Logistics
Management Center
Colonel Billy C. Holland

Editor-in-Chief
Thomas A. Johnson

Associate Editors
**Terry R. Speights
Justin L. Paniere**

Assistant Editors
**Richard Ford
Robert D. Paulus**

Art Director
Charles Marie

Army Logistician magazine (ISSN 0004-2528) is an official Army periodical published bimonthly by the Editor at the U.S. Army Logistics Management Center, Fort Lee, VA 23801, under the sponsorship of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Logistics), the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, and the Commander, U.S. Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command. Second class official mail postage paid at Petersburg, VA, and additional mailing offices. Postmaster: Send address changes to Editor, *Army Logistician* Magazine, ALMC, Fort Lee, VA 23801.

ARTICLES

- 2 **The VII Corps Commander Views Grass Roots Logistics**
—Lieutenant General John R. Galvin
- 8 **Army Logistics Posture Summarized**—ALOG Staff Feature
- 10 **Looking Out for Ammunition**—G. Dean Turner
- 14 **Quick Funding for Worthy Projects**—ALOG Staff Feature
- 16 **Vehicle Washing Systems Improve**—Helen Wiercioch
- 20 **General Support Supply Bases Authorized**
—Lieutenant Colonel Robert P. Stitis and James L. Flinn III
- 24 **Prolog '84**—ALOG Staff Feature
- 28 **'Golden Griffins' Pave the Way**
—Lieutenant Colonel John J. Cusick and Captain Mark J. Flavin
- 32 **'Tex Header' and the Stray Requisition Roundup**
—Major John J. Donovan
- 35 **Wholesale Logistics Support During Mobilization**
—Lavelle Smalley
- 36 **Your Career as a Noncommissioned Logistician**
—ALOG Staff Feature
- 38 **Automation for the Central Issue Facility**
—Captain Nathan J. Power
- 49 **Sample Data Collection—Who Needs It?**—A. L. Dillin

DEPARTMENTS

- 1 **Emphasis**
- 41 **Career Programs**
- 42 **Digest**

COVER—The palletized loading system truck—demonstrated in Prolog '84—is shown pushing itself free from axle-deep mire. The driver can operation its unique self-recovery system from the cab. Other logistics support equipment is shown in the photo-story, "Prolog '84," beginning on page 24.

Army Logistician publishes timely, authoritative information on Army and Defense logistics for the Active Army, Army National Guard, Army Reserve, civilian employees of the Army, and public. Our purpose is to increase knowledge and understanding of logistics and to encourage and stimulate innovative thought by providing a forum for those ideas. The views expressed are those of the authors and not necessarily those of the Department of Defense or the Department of the Army. ☐ Photographs are U.S. Army unless otherwise noted. ☐ Material may be reprinted if credit is given to *Army Logistician* and the author, except where copyright is indicated. ☐ Use of "he" and any of its forms include both masculine and feminine genders. ☐ Articles, photographs, and items of interest on any facet of Army logistics are invited. Direct communication is authorized to: Editor, *Army Logistician*, ALMC, Fort Lee, VA 23801. ☐ Use of funds for printing this publication has been approved by the Secretary of the Army on 1 December 1983, IAW provisions of AR 310-1. ☐ Active Army units receive copies through the initial distribution system as outlined in AR 310-2. DA Form 12-5 must be sent to Commander, AG Publications Center, 2800 Eastern Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21220. ARNG and USAR units must submit requirements through state adjutants general or USAR channels. Private subscriptions and rates are available from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

Coming in Future Issues—

- **Reshaping the Logistics Force**
- **Support from External Sources**
- **Logistics Unit Productivity**
- **Technology is Reducing the Logistics Burden**
- **Soldier-Machine Interface**
- **Reducing the Cost of High-Tech**
- **Host Nation Support the Korean Way**
- **Manage the Nuts and Bolts, Too**
- **Can the U.S. Merchant Fleet Meet a Falkland-type Crisis?**
- **Using a Base Support Contractor**
- **The Federal Catalog System**
- **NATO's Pipeline System**
- **Determining Medical Unit Readiness**
- **Managing the Division's Class IX Supply**
- **Analyzing Deployment Effectiveness**
- **Reforger—An Endless Cycle**
- **Combat Rations of Warsaw Pact Countries**
- **Air Assault Combat Service Support**
- **Vulcan Knight: Planning Wartime Logistics Support**
- **Determining Depot Workload**